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APPENDIX

DOCUMENT SUPPORT

BAGDAD AIRPORT MASTER PLAN UPDATE BAGDAD, ARIZONA



OFFICE OF THE PUBLIC WORKS DIRECTOR

MEMORANDUM

DATE:

December 4, 1996

TO:

Bill Feldmeier, Supervisor, District 2

THRU:

Richard L. Straub

Public Works Director

FROM:

Judy A. Allen

Administrative Assistant

RE:

Bagdad Airport

Pursuant to our recent discussion, I have researched the files on the Bagdad Airport with the following results:

- 1. November 15, 1949, Book 194 of Deeds, Pages 56-57 Airfield easement granted to Yavapai County by MTL Cattle Company (L. K. and Mark T. Lindahl) for the purposes of construction and maintenance of a public airfield.
- June 22, 1950, Book 194 of Deeds, Pages 57-58 Roadway easement conveyed to Yavapai County by MTL Cattle Company (L. K. and Mark T. Lindahl) for the purposes of construction and maintenance of a public highway.
- 3. January 8, 1965 Book 347 of Official Records, Pages 530-531 Warranty Deed conveyed from MTL Cattle Company to Mule Shoe Ranch (L. K., Mary Thomas and Tom Lindahl) portions of Sections 27,28 and 33, T15N, R8W, Sections 28, 33, 34 and all of Section 35, T15N, R9W, portions of Section 1 and 2, T14N, R9W, and Section 31, T14 1/2N, R8W, subject to certain mortgage dated April 18, 1949, given by MTL Cattle Company to Mattie C. Nelson as recorded in Book 81 of Realty Mortgages pages 448 etal.
- 4. April 13, 1966, Book 393 of Official Records, Pages 409-411 Right-of-way and perpetual easement granted to Yavapai County by L.K., Mary Thomas, and Tom Lindahl for the purposes of adding the condition that the County would construct two head walls and three 36" culverts on the Mule Shoe Ranch Road during 1966 at no cost to the Grantor.
- 5. June 7, 1966, Book 399 of Official Records, Pages 488-490 Amended easement to add the Northeast and Southwest clear zones.
- 6. August 25, 1966, Book 407 of Official Records, Pages 488-490 Clear Zone Easement conveyed to Yavapai County by L.K., Mary Thomas, and Tom Lindahl.

8. August 20, 1980 - Book 1318, Page 901 - Airfield Easement Supplement Grant by and between Cyprus Bagdad Copper Company and Yavapai County for 5.5096 acres upon the same terms and conditions and for use in conjunction with and as a part of that certain easement for airfield purposes conveyed by Grantor to Grantee on November 15, 1949 and recorded in Book 194 of Official Records, Pages 56-57.

However, in researching the ownership of the airport, Assessor's Parcel #300-26-024, the Bagdad Airport is currently (as of 1996) owned by the Bagdad Copper Corporation. Yavapai County does not have a lease from Bagdad Copper Corporation for the airport property, only the Airfield Easement Supplement Grant in #8 above. How the County came to be the sponsor for the airport is unknown.

In checking with ADOT Aeronautics, Yavapai County can close an airport. The only conditions for doing so is that, if it is closed within twenty years of the most recent grant, Yavapai County is obligated to pay back, based on a prorated amount, a portion of the grant. The most recent grant received and completed was in 1989 for an amount of \$138,089. Based on a twenty year proration, the amount owed to ADOT would be approximately \$90,000.

It is the County's option to accept or reject the current grant for the paving of Airport Road, which, if accepted, would increase the amount owed if the County should close the airport and extinguish the easement.

cc: Randy Schurr with documents
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